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## Bangladesh

### Grain and Feed

### Pulse Report

### 2004

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**Report Highlights:**

MY 2004/05 pulse imports are forecast at 374,000 metric tons, consisting mostly of peas, lentils, and chickpeas.

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Includes PSD Changes: No  
Includes Trade Matrix: No  
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**Production**

Pulses are an important source of protein in Bangladeshis' diets. A wide variety of pulses are grown under non-irrigated conditions mostly in the winter season. Bangladesh's total pulse production in MY 2004/04 (Sep-Aug) is forecast at 340,000 tons, almost unchanged from the previous year. Major pulses grown are lentils, *khesari*, peas, *mung* beans, and chickpeas.

**Trade**

MY 2004/05 total imports are forecast at 374,000 metric tons. Imports in MY 2003/04 are estimated at 340,000 tons, including peas (70 percent), lentils (16 percent), and chickpeas (14 percent). Major suppliers are Australia, Canada, India, China, and Myanmar.

Table 1: Commodity, Pulses, PSD

PSD Table							
Country:	Bangladesh						
Commodity:	Pulses						
		2002		2003		2004	UOM
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	
Market Year Begin		Sep-02		Sep-03		Sep-04	(MONTH/YEAR)
Area Harvested	440	440	438	438	0	437	(1000 Hectares)
Beginning Stocks	45	45	63	63	0	76	(1000 MT)
Production	338	338	338	338	0	340	(1000 MT)
TOTAL marketing year Imports	320	320	340	340	0	374	(1000 MT)
Oct-Sept Imports	320	320	340	340	0	374	(1000 MT)
Oct-Sept Imports US	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
<b>TOTAL SUPPLY</b>	703	703	741	741	0	790	(1000 MT)
TOTAL Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
Jan-Dec Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0	(1000 MT)
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	640	640	665	665	0	690	(1000 MT)
Ending Stocks	63	63	76	76	0	100	(1000 MT)
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTION</b>	703	703	741	741	0	790	(1000 MT)

Table 2: Commodity, Pulses, Import Trade Matrix

Import Trade Matrix			
Country:	Bangladesh	Units:	Metric Tons
Commodity:	Pulses		
Time period:	Sep-Aug		
Imports for	2002		2003
U.S.	0	U.S.	0
Others		Others	
Australia	120000	Australia	124000
Canada	106000	Canada	110000
India	38000	India	43000
China	22000	China	23000
Myanmar	4000	Myanmar	5000
Total for Others	290000		305000
Others not listed	30000		35000
Grand Total	320000		340000